

Extract from letter of A. W. Weston to
Deborah Weston Feb 18th 1839 from Boston

"The Board met & instructed their Committee
to state that the contract with their consent
should not be given up & that unless the
New Yorkers receded from their ground, the
Mass Soc. would mullify & address a
communication to the Mass people, cut loose
from N. Y. & publicly set up for themselves.
Ellis sent a private letter to Birney threatening
their lives, telling them they did not know
the thing they were dealing with, that it
would require all their caution to steer clear
for that the belief was prevailing to a great
extent that they were aiming to break
down Mass."

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